



Many of old Friends  
Henry and Helen

September 1898.

David Todd, great grand son of his brother born April 8 1723  
died in 1760 in Pennsylvania in 1783 he sold a  
cow for \$16.000 in it and the next year removed to Kentucky  
to join his sons Robert, John Todd, and Oliver Col.  
in Todd has been killed at Fort Pitt. 4 years before.  
David Todd died in 1785 the year after he went to Ky.  
His wife was Hannah Owens a poor daughter of Owen Owens.  
They had four sons, one of whom Owen settled in Ohio  
from him are four Rebel soldiers in battle of Blue Licks  
John Todd another name being Mrs. Givens, born  
in 1756 died in 1804 at Lexington wif Jean Briggs  
daughter of Capt. Saml Briggs.

The son of John Todd, Robert Smith Todd was the father  
of Mrs. Todd Humphreys, merchant, musician Bk of Ky.  
First wife - daughter of Mr. Robert Parker a huckster  
He died in a son of Dr. Alexander Humphreys, a  
Huntington Va. Many Todd but a daughter when this second  
Marriage was made.

Four brothers of many colors (or) traits

Samuel, Robert, Cornelius, Alexander, Parker, son of Mrs. John Todd

and brother a surgeon. A sister Mrs. Ann Hart in Hales we are  
in the Hales Hales still living)

was, I sister Elizabeth married him to Edwards.

of Springfield, son of Rev. humor Edwards. A. B.

Murphy W. was born April 15, 1809, near Frankfort.

Murphy is educated at the Jeffersonian.

Many went to his wife's school

most of "Mrs Murphy's" school friends used

In 1837 she gave birth to her sister Mrs. E. in Springfield.

She 18 yrs old

In 1839 visited Oregon in 1842 married A. L.

Mr. Murphy married. Mrs. Murphy died  
had no children. <sup>want of</sup> any child or now, or her  
husband, Mr. Murphy, died in the same  
year in which his wife died, and there was  
never but one widow among all the wives. Many  
lived over the river, and that was the one that  
survived, "Mrs Murphy by her husband died  
widowed. There were present for this funeral Rev. Am. Edwards  
Roger & Mrs. John Todd Stuart, Dr. John Joddy and  
family, Dr. & Mrs. Wallace, and Mr. & Mrs. Murphy  
& Edwards.

It has also been said that Mr & Mrs. Webster  
were not happy. Mrs. Wallace denies this  
entirely, and the present writer knows  
fear not Mrs. Wallace's assertion. They  
understand each other thoroughly.

Julia in Huston's aspiration

Faid of reading, made her own and children's books  
delightful converser

The present writer saw her three facets  
together some part of every day for six months at  
one time but saw nothing of the unhappiness  
which is so often referred to.

Her son, John, to answer the door  
annoyed her.

In 1871 Mrs. Lincoln, then 70, died in  
Chicago at the age of eighteen.

The death at the home of her daughter Mrs.  
Katherine Edwards, July 16, 1882. Her father  
A. Reed of Greeley.

July 28, 1927

J.C.L.

Mr. Max Jones  
Editor, The Landmark  
Platte City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Jones:

Your letter of July 18th received. The book also arrived in good shape and I am very much pleased with it. I certainly appreciate your courtesy in securing it. I want to thank you also for the return of the check of \$1.50. I feel that you should have kept it all for your trouble. The accommodating way in which the Landmark serves the community should be an added attraction for residents at Platte City.

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Thank you for your courtesy, I am,

Sincerely yours,

J.T.P.F.

S. M. Chenault  
Sunday, July 28, 1927

Many thanks for  
your kind letter,

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S. M. Chamberlain  
Gardell, Mo.

### LINCOLN'S 'IN-LAWS'

THE writing and reading public takes keen interest in anything about ABRAHAM LINCOLN and his family. For that reason much attention was given to the death of Mrs. BEN HARDIN HELM, half-sister of Mrs. LINCOLN. The real significance was that she was almost the last of the persons who knew LINCOLN intimately. There was further interest from the fact she was the widow of a Confederate general and that her visit to the White House in war times caused the president some worry and made unpleasant talk in political circles. In his broad humanity, the president did everything possible for his sister-in-law, and defied the consequences.

It does not seem to be generally known that Mrs. LINCOLN's brother, Dr. W. B. Todd, was one of the fiercest LINCOLN haters that ever lived and that he died an unreconstructed "rebel." He was so incensed over the marriage of his sister to the Illinois lawyer that he never could keep his poise when the family was mentioned. He became a brilliant surgeon in the Confederate army and after the war he retired to the interior of South Carolina and lived for many years a lonely but somewhat excitable life. He died probably 20 years ago, probably unsoftened toward the memory of his famous relative.

Memorandum

September 30, 1931

Judge North Todd Gentry  
Columbia, Missouri

My dear Mr. Gentry:

Mr. Jewell Mayes, Secretary of the Board of Agriculture at Jefferson City, has advised me that you were very much interested in Lincoln history and were related to Mary Todd Lincoln.

He thought you might be interested in receiving the bulletin which the Lincoln Historical Research Foundation publishes and which is sent gratis to about three thousand Lincoln students in America.

I am happy to place your name on our mailing list for Lincoln Lore and we hope you will enjoy its weekly visit.

Respectfully yours,

Director  
Lincoln Historical Research Foundation

LAW:LH

3625 Oakman Blvd.,  
Detroit, Mich.

April 6, 1935.

Dr. Louis A. Warren,  
Lincoln Historical Research Foundation,  
Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dear Sir:-

In a recent conversation on the subject of Abraham Lincoln, a friend of mine showed me three loose-leaf volumes of "Lincoln Lore."

Inasmuch as I am deeply interested in the character of Lincoln, I inquired about subscribing for this data. He advised me that it could not be purchased but that it could be obtained by addressing a request for it to you. I assure you that I shall appreciate receiving current copies of "Lincoln Lore" and as many back numbers as you are in position to send me.

I am enclosing herewith fifty cents, which I have been advised is the price of two loose-leaf folders in which to bind the data and which, I believe, will be sufficient for the present.

Would it be asking too much if I were to inquire whether or not anything has been done as yet toward preserving the girlhood home of Mary Todd Lincoln? In my many visits to Lexington, Ky., this has always been a matter of concern to me, and recently I have heard rather vague reports that some steps in this direction have been taken.

In closing I should like to express to you again my appreciation of the work The Lincoln Historical Research Foundation is doing in the distribution of "Lincoln Lore."

Very truly yours,  
*Ethel W. Van Arsdell*  
Ethel W. Van Arsdell

Mrs. L. J. Van Arsdell

Mar. 10

April 10, 1935

Mrs. L. J. Van Arsdell  
3625 Oakman Boulevard  
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Madam:

We are having forwarded to you under separate cover binders for Lincoln Lore and such back numbers as are available. I regret that our files are not more complete.

We are also placing your name on our mailing list to receive subsequent copies.

*WV*  
I do not believe anything is now being done to preserve the girlhood home of Mary Todd Lincoln. On my last visit to Lexington I recall that a store now occupies a part of the building.

The name Van Arsdell is very familiar to me inasmuch as for several years I was in college at Lexington and attended the Central Christian Church in which there are several Van Arsdell families.

Thank you for your kind words about the work the Lincoln Foundation is doing.

Very truly yours,

LAW:LH

Director

3625 Oakman Blvd.,  
Detroit, Mich.

April 11, 1935.

Dr. Louis A. Warren,  
Lincoln National Life Foundation,  
Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dear Dr. Warren:-

Thank you very much for your letter of April 10  
regarding Lincoln Lore.

I was sorry to learn that nothing is being done  
to preserve the girlhood home of Mary Todd Lincoln; and  
still hope that something along this line will be started  
before it is too late. I can't but feel that Mary Todd  
was a strong character and an influence in Lincoln's life.  
Then, too, Lincoln's visits in this home would seem to me  
to give it historical significance.

Yes, the name Van Arsdell is a very familiar one  
in and around Lexington. Mr. Van Arsdell's family, however,  
are members of the Maxwell Street Presbyterian Church. I  
look forward to our visits in Lexington with a great deal  
of pleasure; there is so much of historical interest in  
the Bluegrass section of Kentucky. And, of course, we  
always go to Harrodsburg. Since our last visit I have  
read William H. Townsend's book, "Lincoln and His Wife's  
Home Town," which causes me to look forward to our next  
visit with greater anticipation than ever before.

I am wondering if I may have the name of Mrs.  
Blanche L. Armstrong, 225 Covington Drive, Detroit, placed  
on the mailing list for Lincoln Lore? Mrs. Armstrong is  
deeply interested in Lincoln and has asked me to do this  
for her. She will also appreciate receiving as many back  
numbers as are available. The cost of the loose-leaf  
folders will be forwarded when we see just how many are  
needed.

Very truly yours,

*Ethel W. Van Arsdell*

Ethel W. Van Arsdell

April 16, 1935

Mrs. Ethel W. Van Aradell  
3625 Oakman Blvd.  
Detroit, Michigan

My dear Mrs. Van Aradell:

We are placing the name of Mrs. Blanche L. Armstrong on our mailing list to receive Lincoln Lore and will forward such back numbers as are available.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director  
Lincoln National Life Foundation

## Provide

the war for Independence the small constituency of this church (Norriton-Providence) contributed to the patriot forces a chaplain, eleven officers and eleven men.

The thirty-five members reported to Presbytery in 1785, have grown to the present membership of 646, with a Sunday School enrollment of 558.

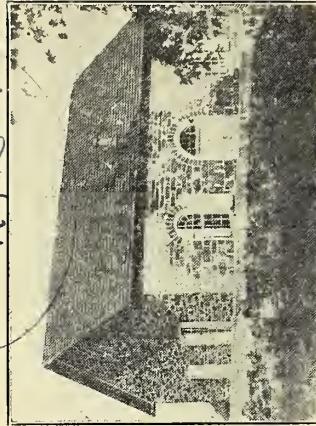
A long lived church, made so by God's gracious blessing on the life-long fidelity of long lived servants. Memorial plaques on the walls of Providence Church record that the Rev. Henry L. Rodenbaugh shepherded this flock for 45 years; Mrs. Annie Tyson taught in the one room 57 years; Jacob H. Hallman and William A. Shearer served as librarians 51 years.

A service is held in this ancient church annually on the third Sunday afternoon in September. The old style furnishings were burned out in 1903. However, it is the hope of an interested group to have the old building restored as a sacred relic of Presbyterianism—the oldest memento of Presbyterian enterprise within the bounds of Pennsylvania.

## The Norriton - Lower Providence Presbyterian Church

NORRITONTOWN, PA.

R.F. L.S. # 1



The REV. R. L. WILLIAMS, D. D., Pastor  
H. WELDON BEYER, Supt. of the Bible School

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## 1698 - Historical Sketch - 1936

The congregational history of Norriton and Lower Providence Presbyterian Church runs back into the mists of the 17th century. Dr. Thomas Murphy, in his "Presbytery of

404 West Market  
Bolivar, Tennessee -  
June 24, 1938

Dr. Louis A. Warren  
Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dear Dr. Warren,

Some time ago my sister, Mrs. Jo H. Banks, of Lynchburg, Va., sent me a clipping concerning your investigation concerning the ancestry of Abraham Lincoln. They were especially interested in this because her husband's grand father, Rev. Conrad Kuhl, D.D., b. Oct. 12, 1821, d. Jan. 28, 1898, is buried near Abraham Lincoln's tomb in Springfield, Ill. He was a Lutheran minister, and knew the Lincoln family well. I believe Dr. Member some story told about visiting in a wagon - the details escape me. The wife of Rev. Kuhl was Eveline Marie Sell, who is also buried there.

We are descendants of Bedford and Campbell County, Va. families of Moorman, Clark, Alexander - in fact our gr. g. gr. grandfather Robert Alexander was the first Clerk of Campbell - His daughter Esther, wife of Micajah Clark Moorman, planted our branch of these families in Fayette and Hardman Counties Tennessee, soon after her husband's death near

the Log College," asserts "It is certain that in Norriton we have the very first trace of Presbyterian enterprise within our whole bounds. A trustworthy tradition affirms that a plot of ground was purchased there for a graveyard, forerunner of a church, in the year 1678." What Presbyterian minister first proclaimed the Gospel within the bounds of Norriton parish we do not know.

Francis MacKemie, in a letter dated July 28, 1685, makes mention that one Mr. W. Wardrope, a Presbyterian minister, had removed to Pennsylvania. Tradition fixes the place as Norriton and it is supposed that MacKemie himself preached here in 1692.

The first authentic record of a settled pastor is that of an elderly minister from Wales, Malachi Jones, who, in the same year (1714) that he established the Abington Presbyterian Church, took charge of the Norriton field.

The log church at Norriton was succeeded by a stone building in 1698. It is still standing on Germantown Pike at Fairview Village. In 1730 the congregation put up another building (log) a mile and a half away in the new township of Providence. Five churches have been erected successively on the Providence grounds.

This one church, with a hyphenated name, Norriton-Providence, has been under the one session all these years except during the time of the denominational division into Old Lights and New Lights (1741-1758) — a schism occasioned by the Providence Church calling John (Hellfire) Rowland, just out of Log College, to be its pastor.

Norriton - Providence is the mother of churches of the same name — New Providence Church—in Virginia, Kentucky and Missouri.

Out of it have gone missionaries, preachers, judges, governors, civil and military patriots — the Alexanders, the Todds, the Hamils, Henrys and Nassaus. Robert Todd, born 1697, lies buried in Providence graveyard. His great granddaughter, Mary, married Abraham Lincoln. Her first maternal ancestor, Robert Porter, born 1698, lies in Norriton cemetery. The Porter family is the most useful family Pennsylvania has ever produced.

The old Norriton building was used as a hospital after the battle of Germantown. Washington visited it; Benjamin Franklin and David Rittenhouse worshipped in it. In

Russellville, Ala., of "a winter fever" -

and now I come to the point about which I am interested - the eldest son of Esther (Alex.) Moorman, Rev. Robert A. Alexander Moorman, M. D., my great grandfather, was a minister of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church - His longest term of service was at old Mt. Comfort C. P. Church, near the home place, "Cedar Grove", now the Ames Plantation, near LaGrange, Tenn. -

I am especially interested in locating all kinds of data concerning this old church - now burned, for it was one of the first organizations in Hardeman County, and I find that a goodly number of old families of this section go back to the pioneer "little church in the wild wood" Mt. Comfort. Since my people belonged there, of course I know a great deal about the history, but I am also interested in a great many other families; as to the type, where they came from - and whither they went.

Among them, I find the Hood family. They are all dead now - most of them buried at old Mt. Comfort. I am told that they were a high class, refined set of citizens - there are those yet living who remember them. From the old record book, begun in 1841 from the older record (church established in 1826) I find the names of

Levi Todd, a member in 1841,								wife,
Ann Todd, joined 1844 by letter, died Oct.								
24, 1869								
Harriet A. Todd	"	1858						died
Jane Todd	"	"						died
Delia Todd	"	July 26, 1874,						died 1882
Lidia Todd								
Norma Todd								" 1887
Louisa D. Todd	"	May 25, 1879						" 1880
Amanda L. Todd	"							
Sophy T. Todd								

In the community there is said to have been an "Uncle Bill" Todd, also -

I have wondered and wondered, if by any chance "our" Todd family was of the same as that of Mary Todd, Abraham Lincoln's wife. After I saw a published article stating that her father was Levi Todd, I became obsessed with the idea that the Hardeman County Tods were of this family.

My reason for so believing is because the first pastor of the flock, Rev. Wm. Barnett had transferred his field of labor from around Russellville, Ky. to Hardeman County, Tenn., and "gathered a flock about him." Another who labored here early was Rev. Wm. A. Bryan, born Todd Co., Ky., who undoubtedly arrived about the same time, for he married Rev. R. G. G. Moorman's sister, Judith Clark Moorman, in 1828.

If you can give me any information about Mary Todd's people, and as to whether the Mt. Comfort Levi Todd, was a relative or not, I would be most happy to secure the information for the data which I am compiling for a historical sketch of this beloved old church -

Sincerely yours, Mrs. Austin A. Baker

June 28, 1938

Mrs. Austin A. Baker  
404 West Market Street  
Balivar, Tennessee

My dear Madam:

I fear I am not going to be able to help you any with reference to the Levi Todd family which were members of the old Mt. Comfort Church.

It is quite evident that the family from which Mary Todd, wife of Abraham Lincoln, descended was from Pennsylvania and they were in Kentucky as early as 1790. Although the name Levi is quite prominent in this family, I have been unable to find any connection thus far with the family known as Todd which you mention.

I have done considerable research work, however, in Virginia on the Lincoln family, especially in Campbell County, on the Hanks and Shipley families. We are now quite certain that Bedford County and the territory cut off from it was the original community of the Shipleys and Hankses, to which Lincoln's maternal ancestry is traced.

The names you mention from the old family in Campbell County are quite familiar to me.

I regret exceedingly that I cannot be of assistance to you with the Todd family, but evidently if they are related it was earlier than the Kentucky migration of the Todds.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
GETTYSBURG NATIONAL MILITARY PARK  
GETTYSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

September 1, 1939

Dr. Louis A. Warren, Editor  
Lincoln National Life Foundation  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Dr. Warren:

We are in receipt of a letter from Mrs. G. R. Mance, New Haven, Connecticut, who desires information concerning her relationship with Mrs. Abraham Lincoln.

We do not have in our library information of this type pertaining to the Lincolns and we believe that you may be able to offer some information to Mrs. Mance.

*True*  
We are enclosing a copy of Mrs. Mance's letter.

Sincerely yours,

James R. McConaghie,  
Superintendent.

By: *Frederick Tilberg*  
Frederick Tilberg,  
Assistant Research Technician.

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August 19th; /39

Cooper Union,

Gettisburg,

Gentlemen:

I wonder if you will be kind enough to let me know by enclosed addressed and stamped envelope, if you happen to know anything about the relationships of Mrs. Abraham Lincoln.

My Grandmother use to tell me years ago that we are related to Abraham Lincolns Wife, Mary Todd Lincoln; And My Great GrandMothers name was Jane Todd; who married my Great Grand Farther Mr. Henry Silsby, a prominent carriage manufacturer, and wealthy man of his day, whos manufacturing plant still stands on South Pearl St , at Albany N.Y. He use to export carriages for the King of England.

I did not pay enough attention then, to know now what the relationship was, but would now be interested in knowing, and would very much appreciate any information that you could give me on the subject

Assuring you of my real appreciation,

Very Sincerely,

Mrs G. R. Mance,

#77 Swarthmore St;

New Haven, Conn.

P.S; All of my great Uncles names, were the same as Abraham, and Mary Todd Lincoln's Sons Names.

September 6, 1939

Mrs. G. R. Mance  
77 Swarthmore Street  
New Haven, Connecticut

My dear Mrs. Mance:

Your letter directed to National Park Service with respect to the history of the Mary Todd Lincoln family has been called to my attention.

Mary Todd's grandfather was Levi Todd, who married Jane Briggs.

Mary Todd's father, Robert S. Todd, had a sister Jane who married Daniel Burk.

This is as close as we can approach the query which you have presented with reference to your great grandmother Jane Todd.

If you can give us any further family history we might be able to connect you with this family.

We are taking the privilege of enclosing a copy of the bulletin which we issue which gives some discussion of the Todd family.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

Enc.

313 ~~East~~ West Court  
MRS. MARY EDWARDS BROWN  
414 EAST CANARY STREET  
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

august 13

Mr Louis Warren

Fort Wayne Indiana

My dear Mr Warren

Thanks for sending me

your pamphlet on the Todd  
Family. I read it with a  
great deal of interest and  
am most happy to own one

My had a book on the  
life of John Todd was he  
not disappointed in friend of  
Governor of Illinois when

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MRS. MARY EDWARDS BROWN  
414 EAST CANEDY STREET  
SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS

It was a country of Virginia  
also a wife of Gen Andrew  
Potting which was most  
ministering. I think my  
sister has with brother.

Would be very glad to  
have you reprint my part  
of my sister's work on the  
Frodell family.

Very truly yours  
Mary Edwards Brown

August 16, 1940

Mrs. Mary Edwards Brown  
313 E. Cook St.  
Springfield, Ill.

Dear Mrs. Brown:

Thank you very much for your permission to allow us to go ahead with the reprint of the story of the Todd family, which I think will be of great interest to many Lincoln students.

We will be pleased indeed to send you some copies of the bulletin when it is printed.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

Dr. Lewis Warren,  
Lincoln National Life Foundation,  
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dear Sir:-

In looking through the issues of the Genealogy and History Magazine, I read that you at one time gave a paper on the Todd Family. wherein you had traced the Todd Family.

For many years I have been trying to find a record of a Mary Todd of Indiana who married John Hayden, Jr. In the Hayden Magazine, I have found this record and feel quite confident that these are the parents of my grandmother Lucinda Hayden, who married (I<sup>g</sup>) a Duredon and in 1837 Married my grandfather Willard Perry in Indiana. I have found their marriage record .

Can you give me the Name of the book from which you took the Todd Family Records? Where could I find this book or books? Possibly you may have this record, if so will you please send it to me. I shall be pleased to pay the fee for this information if necessary.

Please find enclosed a stamped and addressed envelope for your reply. May I hope to hear from you in the near future?

Sincerely yours,

( Mrs, John B,) Arla Brewer Christ,

*Arla Brewer Christ.*

1940 Grand Avenue,  
Racine, Wisconsin.

February 4, 1941

Mrs. John B. Christ  
1940 Grand Avenue  
Racine, Wisconsin

Dear Mrs. Christ:

I have your recent letter to Dr. Warren relative to the Todd Family.

Dr. Warren is now absent on a Western speaking itinerary and will not be back to Fort Wayne until some time in April.

I am unable to give you the names of the books and pamphlets to which he referred in compiling his information on Mary Todd Lincoln and her family but do know that there is no mention of a Mary Todd in Indiana who married a John Hayden nor is there mention of Lucinda Hayden or a Willard Perry.

If this is the same Todd family as existed in Kentucky you will probably get most of your information that you are seeking by writing to the Kentucky State Historical Society at Frankfort, Kentucky.

Yours very truly,

MAC:WM  
M.A.Cook

Librarian

WILLIAM H. M. ADAMS

1085 Northwestern Bank Bldg., Minneapolis, Minn.

February 8, 1941

Dr. Louis A. Warren, Director  
Lincoln Research Foundation  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Dr. Warren:

I enclose page 23 from the Minneapolis Star-Journal of last evening which contains a Todd item, which may be of interest to you in connection with the work you are doing with The Lincoln Kinsman.

Dana Todd, with his daughter, conducts an art shop in a very nice section of the city. I have known them for quite a few years, but did not know before that they were of the same family as President Lincoln's wife. They are fine people. Dana Todd is all of seventy five years of age.

I have not taken the time to check up in my library the record as to John Blair Todd, but no doubt in your large collection you will find something in reference to him.

I received the extra number of Lincoln Lore which I asked for some weeks ago, also your friendly letter, and thank you for both.

Very truly yours,

W H M Adams

February 11, 1941

Mr. W. H. M. Adams  
1085 Northwestern Bank Bldg.  
Minneapolis, Minn.

Dear Mr. Adams:

It will indeed be a pleasure to place before Dr. Warren your letter of the 8th together with the clipping which you so kindly sent to him.

You probably are familiar with the fact that each year Dr. Warren spends between three and four months traveling through different sections of the country giving speeches on Abraham Lincoln. This year he is on the West Coast and plans to return to Fort Wayne some time in April.

Yours very truly,

MAC:BS  
M.A.Cook

Librarian

1134 W. Moreland  
Phoenix, Arizona.

Lincoln National Life  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Sirs: -  
When your director re-  
Warren spoke at our  
church on this trip West  
he gave me this card and  
told me to send it over  
for a copy of his "his story  
of the Good Family" as  
I am a good family  
member. I appreciate  
3-10-41 this more than can  
ever, and wish you best

April 18, 1941

Mr. W. B. Todd, Exec. Vice Pres.  
Commercial Standard Insurance Co.  
Fort Worth, Texas

Dear Mr. Todd:

Just back at my desk after a  
three months' itinerary, I find a notation on one  
of your cards suggesting that I am to send you copies  
of Lincoln Lore mentioning the Todd family.

We trust you may enjoy reading  
these bulletins which may bring you some information  
about the family with which you are connected.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EST

Director



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Director

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W. B. TODD

EXECUTIVE VICE-PRESIDENT  
COMMERCIAL STANDARD  
INSURANCE COMPANY

FORT WORTH, TEXAS

History of Todd Family  
Tate, Ernest and

LOUIS A. WARREN, LITT. D.  
DIRECTOR

LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE  
FOUNDATION

FORT WAYNE,  
INDIANA

Merle Burdg  
117 South Pleasant Street  
Portland, Indiana  
May 2, 1941

Lincolniana Publishers,  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Gentlemen:

Many, many thanks for the four copies, numbers 5, 10, 20 and 26, of The Lincoln Kinsman. I am devouring them with interest.

My great grandfather was Raisen Todd, evidently named for the Raisen River, born in Pickaway county, Ohio, June 24, 1818. Died at Geneva February 17, 1875. His father was Samuel Todd. He died in Missouri.

Raisen Todd came to Adams county in 1837 taking up a tract of land of 160 acres in Monroe township, where he lived for seven years. At the end of the seven years he located in Buffalo (now Geneva) and opened one of the first stores there. He was the second postmaster to be appointed there succeeding John Conkle. He held office until 1870, when he again went to farming. He taught the first school in Monroe township. He had an excellent education.

My grandmother was Sarah Todd. My grandfather's name was John Landis Juday, the son of Henry S. who was born in Virginia in 1803.

Would it be asking too much to have you send the

Send him some  
Sweden family bulletins



Merle Burdg  
117 South Pleasant Street  
Portland, Indiana

same copies of The Lincoln Kinsman to the  
address below ? Judge Jenkins frequently talks  
on Lincoln and never fails to take a poke at  
Mary. Judge Byron Jenkins, Portland, Indiana.

Thanks again.

Sincerely Yours

(Miss) Merle Burdg

May 2, 1941

Miss Edna Merle Burdg  
117 S. Pleasant Ave.  
Portland, Indiana

My dear Miss Burdg:

I regret exceedingly I did not have the opportunity of meeting you when you visited our Museum here in The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company Building.

We have been greatly interested in the story of Mary Todd for many years and I think some articles have been sent to you which I have prepared on the Todd family.

I happen to have known Emily Todd Helm very well and also her two daughters

We trust that at the time you come to Fort Wayne you will bring with you the little portrait which you have in your possession showing the likeness of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln and any other tokens which would be of interest and we would be happy indeed to see them.

Very truly yours,

LAW:BST

Director

BEN F. EDWARDS  
TWELVE-TWELVE BROADWAY  
OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

Sep 4 1941

Oakland, California  
September 8, 1941

Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

Subject: Lincoln Lore

Gentlemen:

For a number of years back I have had the pleasure of receiving copies of Lincoln Lore sheets, but since the issue of March 17, 1941, they have ceased coming.

Has this extremely valuable service been discontinued? And if not, what can I do to get back on the mailing list?

I happen to be related on both sides of my family to Mary Todd Lincoln. Ida Tarbell has quoted my paternal grandmother rather liberally in one of her books. My interest in Lincoln Lore is easy to understand.

If the back numbers are available, I would appreciate having them sent to my home address, 19 Westall Avenue.

Very truly yours,

*Ben F. Edwards*  
Ben F. Edwards

Fort Arthur, Texas,  
January 12th, 1940.

Lincoln Life Insurance Museum,  
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dear sirs:

In compiling data on my family towards a biography of James Barclay Texas pioneer, I have done some research in old Rowan County records. Here I found the will of my great great grandfather Robert Barkley (some times spelled Bartley and Barclay) and wife ~~DEAH~~. Robert made his will Dec. 5th 1786 and it was probated 1788. Because of TODDS I am including the copy of heirs:

Sons: Samuel, David, John, Robert, William, Walter.

Daughters: Margaret, Elizabeth, Cathrine, Mary, Rachel.

Grandsons: Robert Barkley and Robert TODD.

Executors: Benjamin Todd (probably son in law Peter)

Witnesses: Joseph Todd, Thomas Todd.

Samuel, the eldest son, died in 1804 (wife and family)  
William, single, died in 1786.

Margaret married Benjamin Todd in 1785 (Bondsman Thomas Todd)

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The old homestead was on Richard's Creek adjoining John Davis, Israel Cox, etc. A second tract adjoined Benj. Todd.

Dad's smiley

My great grandfather was WALTER. He and Robert Jr. sold the old home etc 1797 making the deed in Kentucky (Madison County) and so therefore they must have been living in Ky. In 1804 my great grandfather married Miss Elizabeth McQueen in Madison County. Later they moved to Penn, Alabama, Texas. I believe Robert Jr. and possibly others stayed in Ky.

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ry.

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I would like to identify these Todds. Can you tell me if this is Mrs. Lincoln's folks? Was there a LEAH TODD? I thought perhaps my great great grandmother -eah was a Todd. In biographies I have tried to find the names of Mrs. Lincoln's Mother and step Mother though did not succeed. Since my great great grandfather had a (in Ky) grandson Robert Todd, and my great grandfather's bondsman was still the William who witnessed the will of his father in old Rowan County, -I was of the opinion that this Thomas, William, Robert Todd were grandfather, father, etc of Mary Todd Lincoln? In Rowan County the name Samuel Anderson Barkley occurs. Note my great great grandfather Robert (wife Leah) named his oldest son Samuel. I see in Carl Sandburg's Volume 4 (index-page 506) Abraham Lincoln The War Years, -is a list which includes Samuel B. as half brother of Mrs. Lincoln, Capt David H. (half brother) Capt. Alexander B. (Mrs. Lincoln's half brother). I would be pleased to hear from you on this. There seems to be nothing definite on Mary Todd Lincoln

grand  
except the statement that her father was "William S." and her  
father was Robert S. Todd. She named one son Thomas and another  
William which is a repetition of the family Todd names in with our  
Barclay records in old Rowan County wills.

I am a member of Texas Historical Society.

Sincerely yours,

*Neil Barclay Redman*  
Neil Barclay Redman (Mrs. C.M.)  
3517 Thomas Blvd.,  
Port Arthur, Texas.

Darlene ~~and~~ smiley

January 21, 1943

Mrs. Nell Barclay Redmen  
3517 Thomas Blvd.  
Port Arthur, Texas.

My dear Madam:

You will please find attached a copy of the Lincoln  
Kinsman which gives you a little story of the Todd ancestry.  
We hope this may allow you to locate your Todd relatives.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB  
Enc.

Director

215 Salem Hts. Ave.  
Salem, Ore.  
Sept. 23, 1943

My dear Dr. Warren:

Thank you for the copies of The Lincoln Kinsman, on the Todd family.

I have a manuscript written by the late Dr. S. C. Stone, a highly respected early citizen of Salem, a narrative of the journey of the Stones to Calif. and Ore. in the 1860's. Dr. Stone says: "John Stone, my father, was born May 7, 1821, and died Mar. 9, 1870. . . . He was buried at the Whitman Cemetery (near Walla Walla, Wash, burial place of the victims of the Dr. Marcus Whitman Indian massacre.) . . . John Stone married Permelia Durham White, a daughter of Asa White. Her mother was Mary Lewis, a cousin of Major Levi (?) Todd who was killed at Blue Licks, Ky. Slightly related to Mrs. Lincoln. . . . Mary Lewis White died when mother was a baby. . . . Mother had a brother, Silas White, a Baptist preacher who lived at Charleston, Ill. He died there. He has a son, Monroe White, who lives at Charleston."

I believe it was John, not Levi, Todd who died at Blue Licks.

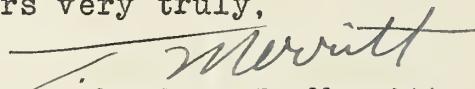
A sister of Dr. S. C. Stone tells me that Permelia D. White Stone "was a second cousin of Mary Todd Lincoln."

I notice in The Lincoln Kinsman of Nov., 1938, a Martha K. Todd, half-sister of Mrs. Lincoln, who married C. B. White.

My sister's daughter, Elizabeth Hamilton, married Don E. Scholey, who's paternal grandmother was May (Mary?) Scholey, nee Todd, said to have been a relative of Mary Todd Lincoln.

The above is furnished for any interest it may have for those interested in the Lincoln-Todd genealogy.

Yours very truly,

  
Theodore E. Merritt

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 408-409 BANKERS TRUST BUILDING  
 151 S. 5TH ST.  
 LOUISVILLE 2, KY.  
 PHONE WABASH 1646

April 4, 1944.

Dr. Louis A. Warren,  
 Lincoln Life Foundation,  
 Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dear Dr. Warren:

I enjoyed your Mary Todd Lincoln very much and think you made a very good argument in her behalf. There can be no doubt that her ambition made Lincoln President.

The Todd family were friends of my great-grandfather Raphael Lancaster who was the first Circuit Clerk of Casey County, then Deputy County Clerk, then County Clerk of the same County, all before he became of age. Then he married Caroline Carter and moved to Springfield, Ky. and became Deputy County Clerk under John Reed and in 1833 he became first County Clerk of Spencer County which place he held until his death in the early fifties. The Todd's were kindly people and they sent a 14 year old slave to nurse the old couple, and when they died my grandmother Isabella Lancaster Spalding inherited this slave. This woman lived to great age and I called on her and asked her why she did not return to the Todd's when the old couple died and she said she liked the Lancaster's and the Todd's let her remain. One of the Todd's married into the Lancaster family in Marion County and one son was born to the Union namely, Sam Todd. He was a handsome man, never married, but whiskey got him. He is buried in the Robert Lancaster lot in Lebanon.

Now my grandfather James P. Boldrick, his wife Mary Doneghy and my father George D. Boldrick coming from Danville, Ky. joined the Ky. Colony in Springfield, Ill. in the late forties and remained several years before returning to Danville. My grandfather James P. Boldrick was a tailor and knew Mr. Lincoln, my father being quite young did not remember him, but when his life was published in the Century Magazine he read it aloud to the family. My grandfather loved poetry and knew Shakespeare and would recite by the hour. He had no religion and my father brought all the Ministers in town, both Protestant and Catholic, without avail, and he died, while I was with him in Lebanon, reciting Byron's "Prayer to Nature." He is buried in Danville.

Perhaps the Census of 1850 may give my grandfather's name or the Springfield directories from 1847 to 1851 might throw some light on the subject. I spoke to you about it last evening.

Excuse this long letter but I thought you might be interested in the Todd-Lancaster story.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

SJB:LM

*Samuel J. Boldrick*

April 7, 1944

Mr. Samuel J. Boldrick  
Boldrick & Gocke  
408-9 Bankers Trust Building  
151 S. 5th Street  
Louisville, 2, Ky.

My dear Mr. Boldrick:

It was a pleasure to meet you again at Louisville and I regret that more time was not available for personal visits.

Thank you very much for the interesting family history which you have incorporated in your letter and we will be pleased to file it with our large collection of Todd data.

We have a directory for Illinois dated 1860 but, of course, this is too late for citing James P. Boldrick and I do not find the name of George D. Boldrick there as I anticipate he was back in Kentucky before that time.

Thanking you again for your interesting letter and your appreciative statement about my address, I am

Very truly yours,

LAW:WM

Director



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POUGHKEEPSIE, NEW YORK

June 16, 1947

Dr. Louis A. Warren  
Lincoln National Life Foundation  
Fort Wayne  
Indiana

My dear Dr. Warren :-

Recently, while on a trip through my native East Tennessee, it was my pleasure to visit Lincoln Memorial University. While in the Lincoln Room I spoke to Dr. McMurtry(?) in regard to my Ancestress Sarah Todd, and he suggested I contact you, since you knew the Todd Family better than anyone.

John Houston - Born Ireland 1716 or 1726  
Died Logan Co. Ky. 1798  
Private in Revolution, Capt.  
Hewetts Co. Rockbridge Co., Va.

Married

Sarah Todd - Born ?  
Died Near Maryville, Tennessee. 1795  
No Marriage date ever found, date of first Child is 1754.

It is my belief that the Todd Family also lived in Rockbridge Co., Va. and that they were married there.

Have you any Data pertaining to the Parents and Grandparents of my Sarah Todd ? If so what are your Charges ?

Thanking you for any information and hoping you can help me find some clue, I am

Most cordially yours

*Willis Lawrence Marks*  
( Mrs. Lewis H.) Willis Lawrence Marks

June 20, 1947

Mrs. Lewis H. Marks  
National Society Daughters of the Amer. Rev.  
244 Church Street  
Poughkeepsie, New York

My dear Madam:

I regret sincerely that we have never done any work on the Todd family which settled in Rockbridge County, Virginia. The Todd family in which we have been especially interested came from Pennsylvania and migrated to Kentucky.

We will be pleased to keep your query before us, however, and if we do come across any information with reference to this branch of the Todd family, we will be pleased to contact you.

There is no charge whatever for any service we might be able to render.

Please accept with our compliments the little bulletin on the relatives of Lincoln's wife.

Very truly yours,

LAW:CM  
L.A.Warren  
Enc.

Director

158-18 Riverside Drive West,  
New York 32, New York,  
January 25, 1949

Dr. Louis A. Warren, Director,  
Lincoln National Life Foundation,  
Fort Wayne, Indiana

My dear Dr. Warren:

In response to a recent inquiry, Mr. Roy P. Basler of the Abraham Lincoln Association, Springfield, Illinois has suggested that your organization might be able to furnish information concerning the Todd family.

The great grandmother of my wife was named Anne Todd. She was born in Lancashire, England and was married to Christopher Hayes, also of Lancashire. Some members of the family believe that Anne was a cousin of Mary Todd Lincoln.

I appreciate that this information might be wholly inadequate in so far as serving to determine what relationship between the two did exist; but if you have any data on hand, or could suggest a reference, I should like very much to know whether the two were of the same family branch.

Yours very truly,

*Bernard E. Ling*

January 27, 1949

Mr. Bernard E. Ling  
158-18 Riverside Drive, West  
New York, 32, New York

Dear Mr. Ling:

We wish to advise you that Dr. Warren is out of his office at present on a two months speaking itinerary.

Upon his return we will bring your letter to his attention.

Very truly yours,

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Secretary to Dr. Warren

April 1, 1949

Mr. Bernard E. Ling  
158-18 Riverside Drive West  
New York 32, New York

My dear Mr. Ling:

I think you will find in the New York Public Library a book on John Todd, the story of his life told by himself.

The book is compiled and edited by John E. Todd, published by Harper's in 1876. In the appendix of the book he gives the story of the European Todds which is the best thing that I know of with respect to the family.

Although we have published some material now out of print on the Todd family in America we did not go back into the English ancestry.

I regret what we have printed is not available in sets. We will forward a copy of The Kinsman under separate cover.

Very truly yours,

LAW/DPS  
L. A. Warren

Director

# LINCOLN LORE

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## MARY TODD'S KINSMAN

The wide circulation of two books featuring Mary Todd, *The Biography of a Marriage*, by Ruth Painter Randall, and *Love Is Eternal*, by Irving Stone has brought many inquiries to the Foundation about the kinsfolk of Abraham Lincoln's wife. The genealogical information at hand on the Todd family is very fragmentary indeed, but such data as we have been able to gather is submitted in hopes that some Todd kinsman may prepare an adequate history of this prominent American family.

Upon Lincoln's marriage to Miss Todd he acquired a large number of in-law kinsfolk. Mary had three brothers, three sisters, four half brothers and five half sisters, fifteen in all. Inasmuch as most of them married and had children, Lincoln became a brother-in-law to about twenty-five people, and thirty-four nephews and nieces could truly call him "Uncle Abe." To our knowledge a listing of the names of all these is not available and we regret our inability to provide such a list at this time but some data is presented.

The forebears of Mary Todd were of Scotch descent and in 1679 fled from persecutors in Scotland to the north of Ireland. Thirty-six years later Andrew and Robert Todd migrated with their families to America. We shall be primarily interested in the descendants of Robert as he was Mary Todd's first known American ancestor.

a. Robert. 1697-1775. Established home in Providence Township, Montgomery County, Penn. where he is buried in the cemetery of Providence Presbyterian Church. Married (1st) Jean Smith. Children: a John, b David. Married (2nd) Isabella Bodley. Children: c William, d Andrew, e Robert, f Samuel, g Levi, h Elizabeth, i Mary, j Rebecca, k Sarah.

aa John. He was a clergyman and an educator in Virginia.

ab David. 1723-1785. Born in the north of Ireland, he was taken to Pennsylvania by his father. Late in life he moved to Lexington, Kentucky and lies buried in the Todd family burial lot. Married Hannah Owen, a Quaker of Welsh descent. Children: a John, b Robert, c Levi, d Owen, e Elizabeth, f Hannah.

ah Elizabeth. Mary Todd also traced her maternal ancestry through Elizabeth who married William Parker. Their daughter Elizabeth, married General Andrew Porter. Gen. Porter and wife also had a daughter Elizabeth, who married her cousin, Major Robert Parker. A daughter of the major and his wife named Eliza Ann married Robert Smith Todd, father of Mary Todd.

aba John. 1750-1782. Represented Kentucky County in General Assembly of Virginia, 1777. Introduced a bill for Negro emancipation in 1780. Succeeded Gen. Geo. Rogers Clark in command at Kaskaskia and governor of Illinois Territory. Killed in Battle of Blue Licks.

abb Robert. 1754-1814. General Robert Todd represented Kentucky in the Virginia Legislature. First senator from Fayette County after Kentucky was accepted into the Union.

abc Levi. 1756-1807. Born in Pennsylvania. Studied law and surveying under Uncle John Todd (aa) in Virginia. Was major, colonel, brigadier and major general of Kentucky forces. Married (1st) Jane Briggs (2nd) Jane Holmes. Children: a Hannah, b Elizabeth, c John, d Nancy, e Nancy, f Ann Maria, g Robert, h Jane, i Margaret, j Roger North, k Samuel.

abca Hannah. 1780-1832. Born in Fort Harrod, Kentucky. Married Rev. Robert Stuart. John Todd Stuart, first law partner of Abraham Lincoln was one of their seven children.

abcb John (Dr.). 1787-1865. Married Elizabeth Smith. Moved to Edwardsville, Ill., in 1817. Children: John B. S. married Catherine S. Hoffman, Francis Walton married Mrs. L. M. Jackson, William L. married Mrs. Clarissa J. Pike, Elizabeth J. married (1st) Harrison J. Grimsley (2nd) Rev. John H. Brown, Lockwood married Emily Husband, Frances S. married Thomas H. Shelby.

abcd David (Judge). Settled in Missouri in 1817. Children: Ann E. married Campbell.

abce Robert Smith. 1791-1849. Born near Lexington, Ky. Married (1st) Eliza Ann Parker. Children: a Elizabeth, b Levi, c Frances, d Mary Ann, e Robert Parker, f Ann, g George. Married (2nd) Elizabeth Humphries. Children: h Robert Smith, i Margaret, j Samuel Briggs, k David H., l Martha, m Emilie, n Alexander H., o Elodie, p Katherine.

abcf Roger North. Married Miss Ferguson. They had 8 children. One son, Robert L. married (1st) Sallie Hall (2nd) Martha Edwards.

abcj Samuel. Settled in Missouri 1817.

abcg Elizabeth P. 1813-1888. Married Ninian W. Edwards Feb. 16, 1832. Children: Julia married Hon. E. L. Baker, Elizabeth married Wm. Clover, Charles, Albert S.

abgb Levi O. 1815-. Married Louisa Searls. Children: Louisa married Edward D. Keyes, Ella married Mr. Canfield, 2 others.

abgc Frances. 1817-. Married Dr. William S. Wallace. Children: Frances, Edward D., Charles E., Mary F. married Col. John P. Baker, 1 other.

abgd Mary Ann. 1818-1882. Married Abraham Lincoln. Children: Robert, Edward Baker, William Wallace, Thomas (Tad). Robert married Mary Harlan. They had 3 children: Mary, Abraham, Jessie. Mary married Charles Isham. They had one child, Lincoln. Jessie married Warren Beckwith. They had Robert Lincoln and Mary. There are no other living descendants except the last three named.

abge Robert Parker. Died in infancy.

abgf Ann Maria. 1820-1885. Married C. M. Smith. Children: Edgar, Allen, Clara, Minnie.

abgg George. 1825-. Surgeon in Confederate Army. Married (1st) Miss Curry (2nd) name not known. Two children.

abgh Robert Smith. Died in infancy.

abgi Margaret. Married C. H. Kellogg. Children: Franklin Pierce and 3 others.

abgj Samuel B. Unmarried. C. S. A. Killed at Shilo.

abgk David H. Officer in C. S. A. Died from wounds at Vicksburg. Married Mrs. Williamson. They had one child.

abgl Martha K. Married Clement B. White. No children.

abgm Emilie. 1836-1940. Married Gen. Ben Hardin Helm, C. S. A. Killed at Chickamauga. Children: Ben, Katherine, Elodie married Walter Lewis.

abgn Alexander H. Unmarried. C. S. A. Killed at Baton Rouge.

abgo Elodie O. Married Col. N. H. R. Dawson, C. S. A.

abgp Katherine. Married W. W. Kerr. Four children.

NORMAN H. TODD, C. E.

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER

MEMBER NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

933 SHERMAN ST. ACOMA 6412

DENVER 3, COLORADO

March 20, 1955

Lincoln National Foundation,  
Lincoln National Life Insurance Co.,  
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Dr. Louis A. Warren,  
Dear Sir;

By accident a copy of your Lincoln Lore, January 17,  
has fallen into my hands, and I assure you that it is very  
welcome, indeed.

I have been conducting a search of my fathers family  
and have come to a very dead end, and I need all the help that  
I can get.

I submit all the information that I have, which you  
can send on to anyone who is searching, same as myself.

I will collaborate with anyone of the Todd family  
in this search. Please give me names and addresses of them  
so that I may contact them. Time is very short, in that  
people are passing away every day, so the sooner this is done,  
the better.

My paternal grandfather was A. H. Todd, married Ruth  
Richardson first, daughter of Judge Richardson. I have a photo  
of Judge Richardson, taken in Edinburg, Indiana. It is presumed  
that they were married there. A. H. Todd died in Chillicothe,  
Missouri in the winter of 1902-03. I have no exact record of  
the date, and I have exhausted all sources in Chillicothe. There  
are no Todds there now.

There were seven sons; born about two years apart:

Oscar, born 1863, Chillicothe, Mo.

Joel Washington, born June 8, 1865, Chillicothe, Mo. Died  
Oct. 7, 1952 at Rocky Ford, Colo. This was my Father.

Louis A. Born Sept. 13, 1867, Chillicothe, Mo., Died Feb. 18,  
1937, Reno, Nevada. I have a death certificate on him. Wife  
was Laura Minor. Two sons. Robert, last known in Vallejo, Calif.  
I can't find him. Dan, deceased, Reno, Nev.

Frank, born 1869, Chillicothe, Mo.

Charles, born 1871, Chillicothe, Mo.

James, born 1873, Chillicothe, Mo.

Norman H., born March 22, 1900, La Junta, Colo. Myself.

Kenneth Paul, born Nov. 1, 1902, Ann Arbor, Mich. My brother,  
state Mgr. Tel. Co., Helena, Mont.

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STRUCTURAL ENGINEER  
MEMBER NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

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March 20, 1955

Chillicothe is in Livingstone County, Missouri.

From the History of Livingstone County; By A. J. Roof.

Todd, Anderson, enrolled on list of disloyal citizens under Ge. Schofield Gen. Order of Nov. 24, 1862. He would not vote for slavery in Mo.

Todd, Henry L., signed letter to a Rev. Gardener at Utica, Mo. Dec. 20, 1860.

Todd, J. Y., List of early settlers, in Livingstone County 1845.

Todd, James, List of early settlers, Shoal Creek Township. On Grand Jury Nov. 7, 1836.

Todd, Jasper, see Anderson Todd.

Todd, R. W., See Henry L. Todd.

Todd, Samuel E., First settler in county, arriving 1831. Built first water mill near Utica. Election Judge, Shoal Creek, May 27, 1837.

Todd, William G., See Anderson and J.Y. Todd. also disloyal.

Todd, William T., Private, Co. L, 2nd Missouri mounted riflemen.

In the Cemetery at Chillicothe, Mo.;

S. Todd, Child.

Mrs. Todd, w  $\frac{1}{2}$  Block 7.

Child, S. Todd, Grave 12, Block 9.

S. C. Todd, Grave 18, Row 6.

I have written the caretaker of the cemetery at Utica, some few miles from Chillicothe, but no answer. His name is Bert Taylor, probably cant be bothered.

I do not know whether my grandfather, A. H. Todd, whose full name I do not have, came from Kentucky, Virginia, or Indiana.

Someone has to help me connect this thing, so that I may get back to the revolution and prove my S.A.R. claim.

NORMAN H. TODD, C. E.  
STRUCTURAL ENGINEER  
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933 SHERMAN ST. ACOMA 6412  
DENVER 3, COLORADO  
March 20, 1955

My father was a Presbyterian Minister when I was born. His first church was New Iberia, Louisiana. His statement; " Robert Todd Lincoln came to New Iberia in his private R.R. car, where I visited him for one full day. We compared our family history, and he proved to me that we were distant Cousins."

That statement is all the encouragment that I have up to the present, but it is enough to go ahead on.

If you will continue to publish this kind of information, I have no doubt that all we Todds will be able to connect up our lineage.

Please put me on your mailing list, and send all Todd names and addresses that you have of those interseted.

I am very serious about this.

Very truly yours,

  
Norman H. Todd

P.S.

If you have any information on the Andrew Branch of Todd, please let me have it.

March 24, 1955

Mr. Norman H. Todd  
933 Sherman St.  
Denver 3, Colorado

My dear Mr. Todd:

I was happy indeed to hear from you and learn of your interest in trying to encourage the gathering of information about the Todd family.

I think you will probably find in the Denver Library a book entitled "John Todd, The Story of His Life" compiled and edited by John E. Todd. The book was published in 1876 and in the appendix you will find quite an interesting biographical sketch of the Todd families in America. It is the best source I know of.

I do not know of any other book that would go into detail about the Todd ancestry.

We are going to be very happy indeed to put your name on our mailing list for Lincoln Lore and will send you from time to time such items as we may discover on the Todd family.

Very truly yours,

LAW:WMC

Director

NORMAN H. TODD, C. E.  
STRUCTURAL ENGINEER

MEMBER NATIONAL SOCIETY OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS

933 SHERMAN ST. ACOMA 6412  
DENVER 3, COLORADO

March 29, 1955

Dr. Louis A. Warren,  
The Lincoln Foundation,  
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

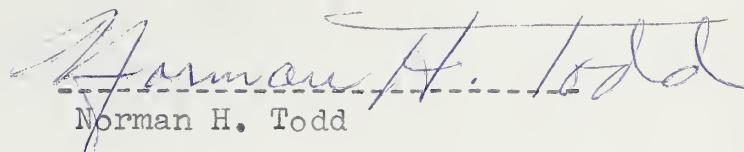
Dear Sir;

I appreciate your letter and enclosure of a copy  
of the Arms. They agree.

The book, "John Todd, The Story of His Life" is not  
to be had at the Denver Library. If you know where a copy  
of this book is kept, I can send for it, on loan, or possibly  
arrange for it thru you, on an insured basis, and have the  
pages photostated. I am stuck on this one.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

  
Norman H. Todd

April 8, 1955

Mr. Norman H. Todd  
933 Sherman St.  
Denver 3, Colorado

My dear Mr. Todd:

I regret you were not able to find the book on John Todd,  
The Story of His Life, in the Denver Library.

I think it will be most satisfactory for me to have  
photostated the Appendix No. 1 which carries the most interesting  
part of the historical background of the Todd family.

The author of the book in question is John E. Todd and I  
think perhaps some of the secondhand book stores in Denver could find  
it for you.

Very truly yours,

LAW:WC

Director

Alva Brisendine  
1303 Greenwood  
Canon City, Colo.

Feb 28. 62

Lincoln Hall life ins. Co

Dear Sirs

I see your add in Sat Evening

Post

A new portrait of Abe Lincoln  
would be sent free. Suitable  
for framing. I would like very  
much to receive it as Abe  
marred my Grandfather Todes  
cousin, Mary Todes

I have heard my Grandfather tell  
about how him and Abe worked  
in the Timbers together back by  
Springfield Ill. So he was my  
mother's second cousin would be  
my 3 Cousin I have had people  
here ask me why I didn't have  
Please put in paper about it  
So would thank you very much for it

Very Truly

Alva Brisendine  
1303 Greenwood Ave  
Canon City Colo

504-8th Street  
Racine, Wisconsin

February 25, 1963

The Lincoln Kinsman  
Box 1110

Fort Wayne, Indiana

Dear Sir:

I received the copy of the Lincoln Kinsman for which I much to give you thanks. I am still in search of Todd information in connection with a Daniel Henry Todd, thought to be a cousin of Mary Todd Lincoln. He was born in Ky, lived in Indiana & moved to Wisconsin. His first wife was Melinda Graham & then Sarah Farnish.

I noticed on the back page of your Todd family the desire of a list of Todd kin. Enclosed is a chart which is the result of several years of research. If it is of any use

February 26, 1963

Miss Mary M. Welker  
504 8th Street  
Racine, Wisconsin

Dear Miss Walker:

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I am sure that Dr. McMurtry will be interested in this and that it will add to our file on the Todd Family. I will see that your letter is brought to Dr. McMurtry's attention when he returns from his speaking tour.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Ruth P. Higgins

You are extremely welcome to it, of course we hope  
that it might be of help to me in my  
search for my fathers.

Thank you

Sincerely,

(Mrs) Mary Weeks



You are entirely welcome to it, of course our happiness  
that it might be of help to me in my  
search for grandfather.

Thank you

Sincerely,

(Yours) Mary Walker

TODDS

David, of Providence Township, Mont. Co. Pa. +1

m.(2) Thos Irvine

Rabb-Wichliffe  
(also Rich)  
m.(2)

Mary Drew  
Wichliffe  
2nd common law.  
m.(2) Col. Jas Russell  
a. 1802

John Todd  
m. June 20, 1797

Todd

Levi (a founder 1775) Eliz. " his wife  
m. James Beaggs W. & G.R. Clark as  
successors

1 Eleon  
child

Rabb-Snow.  
(1) m. Eliz. Parker (2) m. Eliz. Humphreys

7 children  
Eliz. Francis Levi Mary Anne Robert Ann  
G.R. Clark

8 children

Emile T.  
Helen

Ben Hardin Katharine Mrs. Eliz. Lewis  
Helen

Colon in law, during  
autumn of '49. Mary's  
father died of it, apparently.  
He was among the second  
husband of his cousin Mary Drew  
Wichliffe for her large estate, claiming  
it was secured under duress.

Lincoln as attorney for heirs, Oct. 49  
Speed-Guthrie in law. They claimed  
will of Mary Drew Wichliffe's father, John Todd  
bequeathed estate to her for life only & that  
it should revert to other heirs. Suit lost.  
L. saw the horrors of slavery in Lexington,  
where it was horrible. Read Garrison.

Mary, cousin of J.T. Stuart  
J.T. Hardin  
S.T. Logan

"Alfred" was Mary Lincoln's  
2nd cousin, once removed.

Day 2  
John Levi  
Mary Russell  
2nd wife  
John Holt S  
Mary (Lau.)  
"Alfred"  
slave

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February 28, 1963

Miss Mary Welker  
504 Eighth Street  
Racine, Wisconsin

Dear Miss Welker:

Upon my return from my lecture tour I found your letter and chart of the Todd family. I am delighted to have this information for our files.

Many thanks for making this material available to us.

Yours sincerely,

R. Gerald McMurtry

RGM:md

THE ODD SHOP  
1113 Nicollet Avenue  
Minneapolis, Minn.  
55403

June 12, 1966

Dear Dr. McMurry

Here is the Todd  
geneology you asked to see -  
I hope it will be of some interest -  
Keep as long as you wish and  
return at your convenience -

Sincerely  
Katharine Todd

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executions of Claverhouse in Scotland, to find refuge in  
Ireland.

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David Todd, his brother, second son of Robert, the semi-rent, our second ancestor in America, born in Ireland, April 8th, 1723, (comes when a child with his father to America) married Hannah Owen, a Welsh descent and a quakeress, lived a farmer, farmed a large Providence township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, to which his father had emigrated and where (as above) the first Rev. Mr. Davis died. He sent his sons, John, Robert, Levi (possibly, in 1750) Owen) to Virginia, to his brother, Rev. Dr. John Todd, in Lexington. They all became classical scholars, and were later educated for the bar.

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#### The Todds in Kentucky

John Todd, son of David Todd and Hannah Owen, born March 2, 1750, after some practice in his profession, and some previous literary life, at the age of 25, in the year 1775 (early in the year) went to Kentucky, where he joined Gen. Ben Logan, at Fort Boonesborough, which was at Stanford. Whether his brother Robert, (for whom I was named) born April 19th, 1754, and Levi (my grandfather) born Oct. 18th, 1756, went at that time with him does not appear.

At any rate they are found there shortly after: Robert at the age of 22, and Levi at 20. John Marion Brown, in his Blue Licks Centennial Oration says of John that he was "facile princeps" among the pioneers, and Tom Green (in *Historic Families of Kentucky*) that he was "the best educated and most accomplished and the most richly endowed by nature of all the early pioneers and surveyors of Kentucky" -- which is evident from all the history. In 1777 he was one of the first two burgesses sent by Kentucky County to the Virginia General Assembly. On the division of Kentucky into three counties, he was made Colonel of Fayette, embracing the larger portion of the state, Boone Lieutenant Col., and Levi Todd, Major. He accompanied Gen. George Rogers Clarke in the campaign against Kaskaskia, and on its capture became civil governor and colonel of the county of Illinois, retaining his rank in Kentucky, where he continued to live, passing back and forth frequently. He was senior officer at the battle of Blue Licks, into which he was forced prematurely by the folly of a subordinate, and was killed. Robert Todd also participated in all the Indian warfare of the time and the region, and was sent to the Virginia Legislature before Kentucky became a state. It was while members of that body the brothers, aided by their distinguished uncle, who had educated them, and who exhibited the deepest interest in providing for liberal education in the new territory, succeeded in founding and endowing Transylvania Seminary, afterwards Transylvania University. The uncle visited the Eastern states and Europe gathering for it books, apparatus and funds, and gave largely of his own library. Robert Todd, upon the entrance of Kentucky as a state into the Union, was first state senator from Fayette County, and was afterwards for many years Circuit Judge. Levi Todd was Captain of a company, also the first clerk of the first court ever held in the west, before he was 21 years of age. He accompanied his brother John, with Geo. Rogers Clarke, to Kaskaskia, and was a major in the fatal battle of Blue Licks. He sent his Lieutenant Paterson to prospect for a new station on the north side of the Kentucky river, which resulted in the selection of the site and the settlement of Lexington. The three brothers settled there, owning town lots and large tracts of land near. When Kentucky became a state Levi was made first clerk of the court, in which office he continued until his death in 1807. He advanced in military rank to Major General. Green says, "those military titles were won by actual service; his reputation was secured by real and hard fighting. A solid, substantial, enterprising citizen; a sensible, intelligent, well-educated man; a consistent Presbyterian; a valuable and faithful servant; a good soldier. Of course he was respected at a time when those qualities were most useful and honored."

John Todd married Miss Hawkins. He left only one child, who married first Col. Russell, and after his death became the second wife of Robert Wickliffe, Sr. Her son by first marriage dying, she made a deed of gift to her second husband, by which all the great estate coming to her from her father passed to the family of Mr. Wickliffe.

Robert Todd married a daughter of his uncle and preceptor, Rev. Dr. John Todd, of Virginia. One of his daughters married Gen. William O. Butler. His son, Judge Levi Todd and Col. Thomas Todd, after achieving distinction as young men in Kentucky, became more distinguished in Indiana.

Levi Todd married Jane Briggs, daughter of Samuel Briggs, a key-in-law of Gen. Ben Logan, and a man of highest personal and religious character, long associated with Logan in church and other matters previous to coming to Kentucky with him. They were married in Fort Asaph, Logan's Fort, at Stanford, Ky., Sept. 25th, 1779.

The father of these young men, David Todd, joined the two survivors (John having fallen in battle) in Kentucky, in 1783, and is buried with them in the Cemetery at Lexington.

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CHILDREN OF GEN. LEVI TODD AND JANE BRIGGS, HIS MIRD.  
OUR THIRD AMERICAN ANCESTOR

...born in the Fort at Harrodsburg, Ky., about 1780. Married Rev. Robert Stuart, D.D., one of the first professors in Transylvania University, and forty years pastor of the family church of Walnut Hill. A man of rarest excellence, of really exalted character, and of most imposing personal appearance. He died, aged 84; his wife died in 1832. Their children were

1-- Lucy Jane Stuart: married Daniel B. Price. Her children are Robert S. Price, Eliza Hemphill, Louisa Berryman and Dan B. Price.  
2-- Eliza A. Stuart: married Dr. Steele, long Presbyterian Minister at Hillsboro, Ohio. She died in 1884, aged 79 years.  
3-- David Stuart: Presbyterian Minister and long principal of a Female College at Shelbyville, Ky. His son, Winchester H. Stuart, now lives at Henderson, Ky.  
4-- Hon. John Todd Stuart, of Springfield, Ill. <sup>1801-1804</sup> ~~1801-1804~~  
5-- Robert, of Missouri <sup>1801-1804</sup> ~~1801-1804~~  
6-- Samuel: Presbyterian Minister, settled in Virginia  
7-- Margaret: married, Hillsboro, Ohio.

\* 2-- Elizabeth; married Charles Carr. Her sons were: David, Thomas, Walter, Levi, Charles, Robert (lives in St. Louis). All have descendants. Her daughters were Ann (Davis), Jane (Chiles), Susan (Craig), Mary Ellen (Young). Ann Davis left descendants in Illinois. Mary Ellen left two daughters--one of them, Mrs. Charles S. Brent of Paris, Ky. All the sons have descendants.

\* 3-- Dr. John Todd, of Springfield, Illinois. Born 1787. Was, in his early manhood, accounted the handsomest man in Kentucky. I knew him in his age, one of the most elegant and interesting, and still one of the handsomest of men. Married Elizabeth Smith. His children were: <sup>1813</sup> ~~1813~~ <sup>1814</sup> ~~1814~~ Gen. John Todd, Dr. Walton Todd, Mrs. Elizabeth Brown, Mrs. Farnie Todd Shelby, John Todd Shelby, of Lexington, Ky., his grandson.

\* 4-- Nancy: married her cousin, son of Judge Robert Todd, Dr. Todd, long of Danville, Ky. Her children were: Dr. David Todd, Dr. Thomas Todd and Anne. Dr. David Todd only left descendants--in Owmesboro, Ky.

\* 5-- Judge David Todd: married Eliza Barr. Born 1786. After election to Kentucky Legislature four times when quite a young man, moved to Columbia, Missouri, where he became a distinguished citizen, became a Judge and was a candidate for governor. His children are: Robert (became Judge of the Supreme Court of Louisiana), <sup>1811</sup> ~~1811~~ Rebecca (Semuels), Ann (Campbell), Letitia (Brock), Nedors, David, Caroline, Mrs. Lemon and Mrs. Johnson, children of Rebecca. Children of Letitia Brock: David, Dan, Eliza, Robert, Edward and Letitia. David married Laura Kershaw and has two children.

\* 6-- Maria: married Waller Bullock (second wife), a plain man of great abilities and influence. She left no children.

\* 7-- Robert Smith Todd; born Feb. 25th, 1791. Twenty years Clerk of House of Representatives of Kentucky, three times elected Representative and once Senator in Kentucky Legislature, candidate for re-election to the Senate, and prominently before the state as a probable candidate for Governor, at the time of his death, 1849. Married Eliza Parker; second wife, Elizabeth Humphries. Children: Elizabeth (Edwards), Mary (Lincoln), Levi, Dr. George C., <sup>1840</sup> Francois (Wallace), Margaret (Kellogg), Samuel R. (Confederate soldier, killed at Shiloh), David (Confederate soldier), died from wounds received at Vicksburg, Alexander (Confederate soldier, killed at Baton Rouge), Catherine B., Martha (White), Emilie (Helm), Elodie (Dawson). Gen. Ben Hardin Helm, husband of Emilie, was killed at Chickamauga. Their children, Catherine, Ben Hardin, and Elodie. Numerous other descendants.

... Jane Briggs born June 3rd, 1796. Died June 30th, 1856.  
... Daniel Breck, Nomor clars et venerable.  
... John Todd Breck. Died early. Daniel Breck. Left  
... 1ldren. Anne M: married Dr. Frank Ramsey--Rev. D. Breck  
... Mary Brooks, Bettie Baird, Jennie Washington, Minerva  
... Emily, Emma Wood, Samuel Breck. Died aged 21. Robert Levi Breck--  
... Juline, William R., Jennie T. (Moran), Sallie W. (Brodhead), Rattie R.  
(Carter), Dan, Belle.  
... James W. (unmarried)  
... Edward C. (see No. 5, Family of Judge David Todd)  
... Elizabeth (married W. C. McDowell)  
... D. Breck McDowell, Jennie T. (Holton), Sallie (Blanton),  
... Bessie (Sweets)

Charles H. Breck  
Dan., Ford, Charles, Percy, Jennie, Bettie.

5-- (misplaced) Samuel Briggs Todd: born 1795, married Caroline Barr. Lived in Missouri. Left two daughters: one survives.

10--Roger North Todd: born 1797. Married Matilda Ferguson--Robert L<sup>o</sup>  
Todd, John Todd, Mrs. Gentry and Mrs. Burnam.

\* 11--Margaret<sup>50</sup> married Col. William Rodes, State Senator from Fayette County, one of nature's noblemen. Left one son, Levi, who left no issue.

12--My grandmother, Jane Briggs, died in 1803. Gen. Levi Todd married a second time--Mrs. Tatum. His twelfth child (second marriage) was James Clarke Todd: an intelligent, godly, and most lovely man-- Blair Todd. Dr. L. Beecher Todd.

The Todds have in all generations been well-educated, intelligent, Christian people, with few departures, and then generally by intermarriage, from the Presbyterian faith, beginning with Covenanters and martyrs for truth and liberty.

Robert L. Brock

15 October 1971

Mr. Bert Sheldon  
3315 Wisconsin Avenue, N. W.  
Washington, D. C. 20016

Dear Mr. Sheldon,

My brother, John Breckinridge, has forwarded me your letter of 4 October, in which you make some inquiries about a number of relationships. I will try to comment briefly on them, as raised in your letter, but know in advance that this will be somewhat disjointed. I notice that you live in Washington, and perhaps we might discuss it sometime, with book in hand.

First, you asked about Waller Robert Bullock and James Dunwoody (Timmy) Bullock. You ask about their relationship to John C. Breckinridge, and in turn, John C.'s relationship to Mary Todd, wife of Abraham Lincoln. My reference on all these questions is The Cabells and Their Kin by Alexander Brown, first published in 1895 and republished in 1939.

John Breckinridge, later a U.S. Senator and Attorney General in Jefferson's cabinet, married Mary Hopkins Cabell. They had a number of children, one of whom was Joseph Cabell Breckinridge, who married Mary Clay Smith. The children of this latter couple included John Cabell Breckinridge of Civil War fame and Caroline Laurens Breckinridge. Caroline married (1832) Rev. Joseph J. Bullock. They had eight children:

1. Waller Robert Bullock (1834-1871).
2. Mary Stanhope Bullock (b. 1837).
3. Cabell Breckinridge Bullock (b. 1840), whom I remember as a dignified gentleman in Lexington, Kentucky.
4. Frances Breckinridge Bullock (1841-1842).
5. Joseph James Bullock (b. 1843).
6. Letitia Parkhill Bullock (b. 1846).
7. John Milton Bullock (b. 1848).
8. Sarah Graham Bullock (b. 1851, d. infant).

So Waller Robert Bullock, whose story indicates that he is the same one you mention, was a nephew of John C. Breckinridge. Timmy, although obviously a relative, is in another line, as he does not show in my book.

The Todds were, of course, also a Lexington family. Now, to reach way out (and probably incorrectly) Mary Hopkins Cabell (who married John Breckinridge) had a sister named Ann (1771-1840). She married Robert Carter Harrison (1788) and they moved to Fayette County, Kentucky (of which Lexington is the county seat). They had ten children, of whom the second, Mary Hopkins Harrison (1791-1834) married Samuel Q. Richardson in 1812. They had six children, one of whom, Anna Cabell Richardson (1814-1887) married Dr. William Todd of Farmington, Iowa, in 1841. That is the only tie-in between Todds, etc.,

that I can find. Given the close relationships of the time, it is possible that some other tie between Todds and John C. Breckinridge exist, but I am not at present familiar with them. There could be some other sort of tie, as you suggest, through Mary Todd Lincoln's step-mother, but I have nothing that throws any light on it. So, I can't help you with the speculative possibility of a relationship between Teddy Roosevelt and Lincoln's wife.

This is a very unprofessional reply, based on references available to me from a single book. I am sorry that I cannot help you further in your inquiry, but as some of the lines you mention are prominent ones, I would imagine that the Library of Congress would have some material on the point, should you have time to pursue it there.

Very truly yours,



Scott D. Breckinridge, Jr.  
1203 Ina Lane  
McLean, Virginia 22101





# Lincoln Lore

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## TWO NEW LINCOLN SITES . . . MAYBE

America's continuing interest in Abraham Lincoln is a phenomenon most evident on a broadly popular level. There may well be less research in progress on Lincoln manuscripts and books than there was two or three decades ago. Real action is taking place, however, where masses of Americans look increasingly for their contacts with history, at historical sites. The National Park Service initiated a long-range program to improve the Lincoln home site in Springfield, Illinois, some years back. There is a large project under way to upgrade the interpretative material at other Lincoln sites in

Illinois as well. A new site in Kentucky was dedicated just this year, and people in Vermont, of all places, are at work to save another Lincoln-related historical site.

The newest addition is the Mary Todd Lincoln House in Lexington, Kentucky, dedicated on June ninth of this year. Like all such events, this dedication was the result of considerable struggle over a substantial period in the past. More than seven years ago, Mrs. Louis B. Nunn, wife of the governor of Kentucky at that time, visited the historic brick house in which Mary Todd spent her girlhood years. The wives of the



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FIGURE 1. The Mary Todd Lincoln house on Main Street in Lexington, Kentucky.



**FIGURE 2.** Much of the Todd home is restored to the period 1832 - 1849, the time of Robert Smith Todd's residence there. This parlor contains the painted portrait of Robert Smith Todd. The couches are copies of furniture used by Mary Todd and Abraham Lincoln in the White House.

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governors of Indiana and Illinois were coming for a visit and had expressed an interest in seeing the house. Mrs. Nunn was shocked to find that the Todd home was a tumbledown warehouse for plumbing supplies.

The house had survived many close calls in the past. As early as 1921, civic and historical groups in Lexington showed interest in using the house for a museum. After a year's efforts, however, the only accomplishment was the placement of a tablet on the outside of the building describing its history. Occasional newspaper articles on the sad plight of the house sparked little interest. A proposal to use it for commercial pur-

poses in 1932 did prompt a protest from a black church across the street. Louis A. Warren, the first editor of *Lincoln Lore*, made several attempts in the 1940s to interest Lexington citizens in converting the home into an historic site, but in 1946, the house was nearly razed to make room for a gas station.

The home was a victim of forces of which we have only recently become aware. Before the era of woman's liberation, it was not easy to arouse enthusiasm for a girlhood home. Indeed, the Kentucky Mansions Preservation Foundation touts the home as "the first shrine to honor an American First Lady." C. Frank Dunn, a local Lexington historian who was



**FIGURE 3.** The master bedroom in the Todd house is furnished with pieces made in Winchester, Kentucky, in the early part of the nineteenth century. Knowledge of the type of carpet used in the room came from the 1849 inventory of the Robert Smith Todd estate.

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interested in saving the house in 1949, wrote Louis Warren to tell him that it would never work to save the home "to glorify womanhood." It could only succeed as an essentially Lincoln-related memorial.

Dunn pointed to other problems. He did not feel that any prominent woman in Lexington would lead a campaign to save the Todd house. For one thing, the home was a notorious house of ill fame in some of the years after it passed out of Todd family hands. For another, most of the leaders of Lexington society were Confederate descendants. Despite the fact that the state did not secede, Lincoln's policies on race drove Kentucky sentiment into the camp of the Solid South after the war was over, and there that sentiment remained as late as 1949. A further problem was the extremely poor condition of the house. At that time, it seemed "utterly impossible to restore the place."

The Todd home went through the various stages of decay that properties on the slide go through. The original family left, and the occupants became people without a permanent home. From a rooming house, it became a place where people went just for an evening. From a saloon, it became a place occupied more by objects than people, a used-furniture store. At last, it became a place occupied only by objects, a warehouse.

Mrs. Nunn organized the Kentucky Mansions Preservation Foundation in 1969 to renovate the Executive Mansion in Frankfort. The organization restored White Hall, the home of Lincoln's minister to Russia, antislavery maverick Cassius M. Clay. The Foundation also took an interest in the Todd home, but the conversion of that home to a public historic site would not be accomplished without a final struggle.

The Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs raised \$26,500, the appraised value of the house. Governor Nunn provided \$100,000 in state money from a contingency fund. The Department of Housing and Urban Development included the block on which the Todd home was situated in a Lexington urban renewal tract. In 1971, the Commonwealth of Kentucky bought the tract, but a long legal battle ensued. The owners contested the state's ability to condemn the property on the basis of the value of that piece of property alone without considering its value in conjunction with surrounding properties. In 1973, the Kentucky Court of Appeals upheld a Fayette Circuit Court ruling that the state could condemn the property without considering the value of the adjacent property.

Actual restoration of the property could not begin until 1976. Governor Julian Carroll's administration provided \$465,000 to restore the house and purchase furnishings. The governor and his wife also made unused Executive Mansion furniture available for use in the Todd home. The feat was at last accomplished.

The house was built in the first decade of the nineteenth century. Robert Smith Todd purchased the house in 1832, when his daughter Mary was already fourteen years old. She lived in the home until she left for Springfield in 1839; her father lived there until his death in 1849. While he lived in the house, Robert Todd was clerk of the Kentucky House of Representatives, was elected to the Kentucky Senate, and was president of the Lexington branch of the Bank of Kentucky. The family gained substantial income from a grocery establishment.

Of course, the original furnishings of the Todd home have not survived. When Robert Todd died in 1849, his estate was offered for sale and was scattered far and wide. The inventory of the estate made for that sale survives, however, and from that inventory it was possible to make an educated guess at the furnishings of the house. The twenty-room brick house contains a rare portrait of Robert Todd and draperies copied from a surviving swatch from the original parlor. The home is open to visitors from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Sunday.

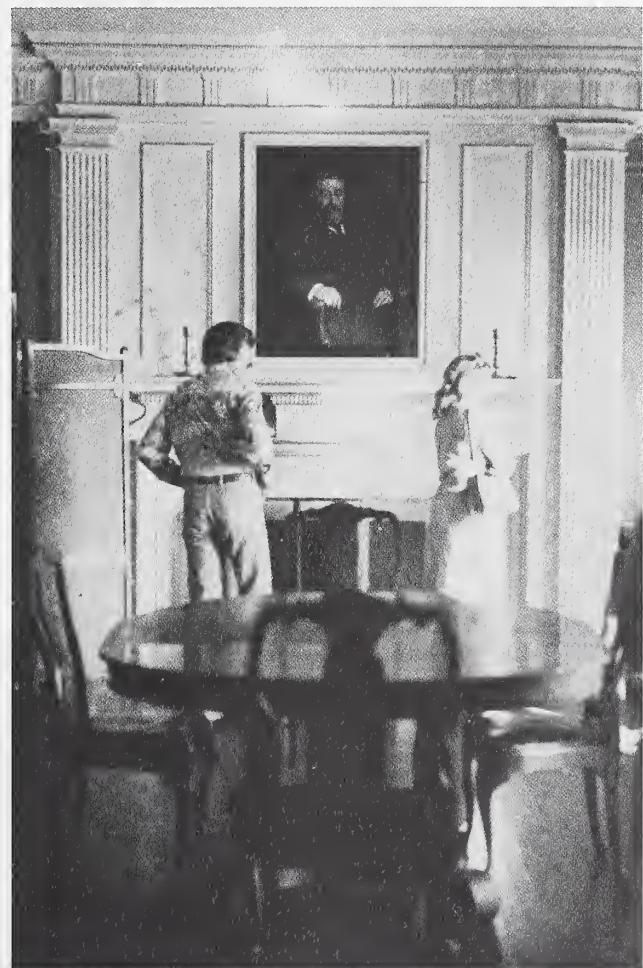
The name of Robert Todd figures prominently in the struggle which is presently going on to save Hildene, a mansion in Manchester, Vermont. It was the home of Robert Todd Lincoln, the only son of Abraham and Mary Todd Lincoln to live to maturity. Robert first visited Manchester on a vacation to escape the heat of a Washington summer during the Civil War. He visited the area repeatedly after the war and was especially fond of the summer home his law partner, Edward Swift Isham, kept in the area. In 1902, now wealthy and successful, Robert Todd Lincoln purchased several hundred acres in Manchester. In 1904, Hildene was built and remained in the family's hands until the death of Robert's granddaughter, Mary Lincoln Beckwith, in 1975. Her will left the 412-acre estate to the Christian Science Church with the wish that it be preserved as a memorial to her grandparents. However, the will contains an escape clause allowing the church to

sell the estate if it is "impractical" to run the estate as an historical memorial.

The position of the Christian Science Church is simple. They consider themselves, according to Mr. Carl B. Rechner, Real Estate Consultant at the Christian Science Center in Boston, a "small but international church." They are not equipped to run historical memorials, and that is an enterprise which does not particularly fit their mainly religious objectives. They wish to follow the spirit of the will and will sell the property to any group which will operate the property as a memorial to the Lincolns. However, the property was appraised at \$612,000, and no group which wishes to operate the home as an historic property has that kind of money. Mr. Rechner said that the church offered to sell for \$400,000 and to "make terms" that would ease even that burden, but their offer has not been taken. They have been offered, \$200,000, which they refused. They feel that, if no group prepared to manage the property as a memorial offers to buy it for a reasonable price, that they are then free to sell to any other buyer for the next best use.

The Friends of Hildene, Inc., a group of over one hundred Manchester citizens anxious to save the mansion for historical purposes, is long on sentiment for the project and, understandably, short on funds. One major gift, says FOH president Robert Schmid, allowed them to make the \$200,000 offer. Since negotiations to close the gap between that and the church's figure have broken down, that offer has been withdrawn. The Friends of Hildene think that they have an excellent chance to save the estate through the courts. "News from the Friends of Hildene," a bulletin published by the organization, stated their case this way in April:

The FOH stand, buttressed by legal precedent and authority, is that the Church has not shown — and has made no good faith effort to establish — that to run Hildene as directed in the Will would be "impractical." Therefore,



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FIGURE 4. Robert Todd Lincoln's portrait in the dining room of Hildene.

having failed to establish "impracticality," the Church is not free to sell the estate except to a buyer who will honor Miss Beckwith's memorial concept. In FOH's view "impracticality" might have been argued if the Beckwith Will had left no money to the Church as operating capital for the maintenance of a Hildene memorial. But the Will provides a specific fund of \$425,000. as endowment for this memorial purpose as well as "all the rest, residue, and remainder" of the estate after taxes and expenses have been paid. Thus, with . . . working capital and with full title to the land and buildings, . . . the Church must present convincing evidence — which has not been forthcoming — that it is "impractical" to maintain Hildene as a memorial.

The \$425,000 endowment was a fund set aside in Miss Beckwith's will for her servants. The servants are all deceased now, and in that contingency the money and the "rest and residue" of the estate after settlement were to go to the operation of the memorial. Mr. Schmid estimates the amount available for this purpose now at \$780,000 in cash, stocks, and bonds. A court fight is in the offing, the Church petitioning the courts for permission to sell Hildene on the open market and the Friends of Hildene "determined to prevent, by all legal means, the diversion of these resources from their intended purpose."

Hildene has been nominated for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places by the Vermont State Division for Historic Preservation, which described it as a "magnificent example of Georgian revival architecture." Miss Kathryn Welch, planning officer for the Boston regional office of the National Trust for Historic Preservation noted:

The estate contains a multiplicity of artifacts, memorabilia, and archival materials, which would be of historical significance. Resources such as the papers and correspondence of Robert Todd Lincoln and the Lincoln-Beckwith families as well as the collection of artifacts should be evaluated for their content and significance relative to U.S. history, the history of the Lincoln-Beckwith family, and the more local history of the estate and the town of Manchester.

The home is in good physical condition, and Mr. Schmid says that the furnishings in the home are mostly the ones Robert Todd Lincoln acquired for it. Miss Beckwith, known locally as "Peg," lived in the house as it had been set up by her grand-

father. She bought very few furnishings herself. Some of the furnishings, however, go to Robert Todd Lincoln Beckwith, Miss Beckwith's brother, and he is currently distributing some of the items. Friends of Hildene have contacted him, however, and he has apparently agreed to leave certain very important pieces, like the grandfather clock, in the home.

When I asked Mr. Rechner for a description of the Church's position, he gave me in essence the position I described as the Church's above. He did not mention the endowment fund on which the Friends of Hildene place so much emphasis. Wanting to clarify the matter, I called the Church's associate counsel, Mr. Philip Hunt. He expressed some reluctance to discuss a matter of litigation at first, but he did consent to discuss the will a bit. The "so-called endowment" fund is "in there," he said, as a trust which was never set up because all the potential beneficiaries were deceased before they could benefit from it. Mr. Hunt's position is that, "endowment" fund or no, the whole question hinges on "the degree of discretion" Miss Beckwith desired the directors of the Church to have. The courts, he said, will look at the critical words in the will, which state that in the event the directors should determine the historical memorial purpose impractical, they could use the property to further the ends of religion as taught by Mary Baker Eddy. The will states that it is Miss Beckwith's "desire," but she does "not direct" that it be used for the historical purpose. She could have directed them to do so and left the property to someone else in the event that they did not wish to do so. The courts will have to interpret whether it is entirely up to the directors of the Church to decide the question of practicality. In the meantime, Lincoln enthusiasts will have to wait and watch anxiously or hope that some benefactor can close the gap between the Church's price for the property and the funds raised by the Friends of Hildene.

*Editor's Note:* Readers of the credits for photographs in recent issues will have noted the appearance of the Louis A. Warren Lincoln Library and Museum. This is the new name for the Lincoln National Life Foundation. A future issue will deal with the renaming of the Foundation in honor of its first director and with the move of the facility to brand new quarters.

M. E. N., Jr.



From the Louis A. Warren  
Lincoln Library and Museum

FIGURE 5. Main entrance of Hildene.



175 East Delaware Place  
Chicago, Illinois 60611

14 May 1982

Dear Mark,

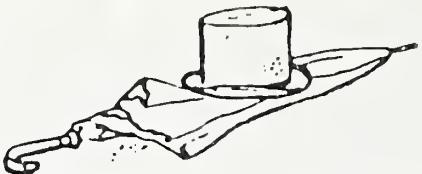
The enclosed description is of an item I found in my warehouse last week. (I should go there more often).

It is priced (all three items) at \$250.00.

See you next week.

Best,

Ralph Geoffrey Newman



## ONE OF ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S CONFEDERATE BROTHERS-IN-LAW

[TODD, ALEXANDER H.]

*Mary Todd Lincoln's half-brother. He was a child of Robert Smith Todd's second marriage (to Elizabeth Humphreys). He was killed at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 4 August 1862.*

Brandenburg, Charles D.

*Cousin of Emilie Todd (Mrs. Ben Hardin) Helm*

Autograph Letter, signed

Baton Rouge, Louisiana:

28 June 1892

To: Emily Todd (Mrs. Ben Hardin) Helm

*Quarto (4to.); two (2) pages. Brandenburg advises Mrs. Helm that he has supervised the exuming of the body of her brother Alexander H. Todd and that the remains have been placed in a child's coffin and shipped to Lexington, Kentucky.*

J.H. Rest. plate on Cifford.

Baton Rouge La. June 28<sup>th</sup> / 92.

Mrs Emily Todd Helm,

E-Town, Ky.

My dear Cousin! I wrote you in my last that I would receive the guard myself & hear his report, so I left home in good time to collect my forces together to reach the grave by daylight & done it. The man was there to receive me & said that I was the first & only one, besides himself during the two nights he was there, to approach the grave. I gave orders in advance to furnish Mr. McLaughley with a conveyance from livery stable, but she did not arrive & I got Aunt Betsy (Bratt's old servant) to locate the place where the White Oak had stood, we got to work at 6 A.M. it was 2<sup>30</sup> P.M. before our search was appreciated, we first found the ankles, had a tub of water got & as it come from the grave, put it in the water, for fear of evaporation, I had the men continue towards the head & as it come out of the ground I seen it placed in the water, as followed it up, the knee, hip a few pieces of ribs, Elbow, <sup>should</sup> blade, his scalp come out in four (4) pieces. His jaw bone shorned but two front teeth left in it, I am satisfied that everything remaining in the grave of your long lost (but not forgotten) brother, is in this child's <sup>shoe</sup> casket. Mr. Flynn, was pleased to render me any assistance, as he of him helped me to wash the mud from the bones, as they come out of the water & I dried them & placed them in the casket, not any too

soon either (4 o'clock) for the clouds got so black, that I feared they would burst, I always go prepared for rain) had just got out of the gate headed for town, when it came down, Mr. Flynn, called to me to come to the house, I thanked him but continued, having gone but a short way when I met Judge Bucker going out with some comrades & advised to return to shelter, I told him I could fight my way through. I got to town & the Coffin boxed securely a carpenter sent telegram returned to Express Office, when the Agent claimed as charges at rate double passage rate, for a corpse, I told him that if he could <sup>please</sup> prove that there was a corpse in the case, I would <sup>be</sup> <sup>pleased</sup> to allow his claim, \$24.00 but as there was but a few bones I could place no valuation upon it, I only asked a receipt for a coffin & demanded that he give it, or I would ship it on R.R. as freight, for less money & after much argument, he claiming when it reached Lexington, there would be a funeral it would get him in trouble & after my guarantee to him, <sup>against</sup> any trouble with him company, I got the receipt, & paid him \$26.00 it was well that you asked it of me to pay the express here, for it will save all of 37<sup>20</sup> for my part, I am only too well pleased to know that I have rendered to, any assistance,

My Step-Father is gradually passing away  
there may <sup>be</sup> a death in our house soon, My Wife joins with me in sending  
best wishes, Cyclone struck Bayou Sara, yesterday, the cause of darkness  
I passed through.

Sincerely yours,

Chas A. Brandenburg

AT REST plate on Coffin lid

Baton Rouge La. June 28th - /92

Mrs. Emily Todd Helm  
E-town, Ky.

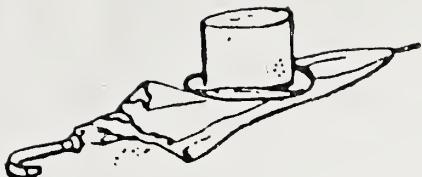
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Collection of three (3) items relating to Alexander H. Todd

1. Coalat, Robert

Typed Letter, signed; 12 June 1900

To: Emily Todd (Mrs. Ben Hardin) Helm

*Duodecimo (12mo.); seven (7) pages. The Quarter Master Sergeant of General Helm's Brigade and was with Alexander H. Todd when he was fatally wounded at Baton Rouge, Louisiana, 4 August 1862.*

2. Condon, R. H.

Document, signed; 17 July 1892

Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

*Receipt for \$15.00 given to Charles D. Brandenburg by Condon for "one child's casket for remains of A. H. Todd . . . " Evidently a child's casket was sufficient for the remains of Todd, thirty years after his original burial. Duodecimo (12mo.); 1 page.*

3. Wood, John J.

Document, signed; 27 June 1892

[Baton Rouge, Louisiana]

*Duodecimo (12mo.); one (1) page, oblong. Receipt given to Charles D. Brandenburg (\$5.00), "for services rendered in exhuming' the body of Alexander H. Todd.*

*rgn/ \$250.00*

28. *W. H. West Jr. Jr.*

My Dear Mrs. Helm-

I am sure you will pardon me for my apparent neglect in answering your postal of the 5th inst. Each day since its receipt I have been expecting to get some data from memoranda I made of our march to Baton Rouge in August '62, but so far have been unable to find them. So I will write as best I can from memory.

A few things in connection with the March to Baton Rouge from Camp Moore (Tangiapahoe) I shall never forget. The principal one was a brief association with your brother, and his death and burial. Perhaps I should mention the fact that I was Quarter Master Sergeant of

General Helm's Brigade under Major Geo. Triplett. I enlisted as a private of Company "B", Maney's First Tennessee Regiment, and after the battle of Shiloh was transferred to the Kentucky troops. The latter part of July '62 General Breckinridge was ordered to move a part of his corps from Vicksburg by way of Jackson to Camp Moore, situated on what is now the I.C.R.R. A part of these troops was General Helm's Brigade. General Breckinridge took charge of the movement against Port Hudson in person.

We remained at Camp Moore two days at which time the army was formed into two divisions, your husband commanding one of these. The army commenced its march against Baton Rouge on the last of July, the distance being about fifty miles. On the evening of August 4th the army went into camp about seven or eight miles from Baton Rouge. Preparations were begun for an attack on the city, and after mid-night commenced, the column moving down the road from Tangiaphoe to Baton Rouge, and before day break had reached a position about three miles from the city. On one side of the road was a sugar cane field, on the other a thick undergrowth of trees and palms. I had charge of the ordinance train and endeavoring to rest on boxes of ammunition in one of the wagons when I was aroused by a volley of musketry poured into our troops from the field of sugar cane. It was this volley that painfully hurt General Helm and fatally wounded your brother Alex.

From some of our soldiers who were wounded and made their

way to the rear, I learned the sad disaster that had overtaken our column; first, that General Helm and afterwards Alex had been badly wounded.

Alex was as tenderly cared for as could be under the circumstances. He was taken to the rear by some of his comrades about two miles from the place where he was wounded and laid on the grass in the corner of and under the shadow of a rail fence near where my teams were resting. When I first saw him he seemed to know me although he did not speak. He had the death pallor on his face. I looked at his wound and found it to be an ugly rifle shot shortly below and to the right of the pit of the stomach (this as I remember it) going clear through his body.

It was not long, however, before he drifted

into a wholly unconscious state. As soon as could be done arrangements were made for having him removed to the house of a man named Henry, if I remember correctly, but it was only a short time thereafter before his manly spirit took its flight to "The Land beyond the Morn."

At the time of his death the fighting had terminated, and learning that General Breckinridge intended to retreat arrangements were made to bury Alex as soon as it could properly be done. After his death he was prepared by loving hands for his last resting place, and I never saw a face in death that looked sweeter or less care-worn. It was as placid as a child that had known neither sorrow nor pain. The sad duty of making all the preparations for the burial fell

upon me. I rode miles to get the plank and find some one to make the coffin. He was buried in the yard not far from the house in which he died, as nearly as I can remember about an hour before sun-down.

Not during the war did I leave a spot with so heavy a heart, but this was the fate of many a gallant Kentuckian who left everything near and dear to fight the battles of the South. I learned to know your brother best after leaving Jackson. I was with him on the trip to Baton Rouge, and found him one of the most genial and companionable men with whom I met during the war. The night before the battle he was with me in our "mess" and was in the best of spirits. I went into my knap-sack to get some article and chanced to pull out a red silk sash that had been given me by a young lady friend of this city before leaving for the army. He laughingly asked me to let him wear it on the morrow. I of course consented and my recollection is he was buried with the sash on.

I have never known whether or not his remains were removed. If so will you please let me know when, and where they are buried.

I have written much more at length than I intended but could hardly have written less. Of course after so long a lapse of time I may be in error in some of the statements, but I believe they are in the main correct. One thing I will never forget and that is Alex's peaceful look in death.

Mrs. Emily Todd Helm

Very sincerely



London, the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, 1892.

Prato Bronx, 2d July 17<sup>th</sup> /92

This is to certify that I have been paid fifteen dollars  
for one child's casket for remains of A. H. Todd, by  
Charles D. Brandenburg, June 27<sup>th</sup> 1892 -

\$15<sup>00</sup>

R. H. Connor

Received of Charles D. Brandenburg \$15.00 dollars  
for services rendered in embalming the body of  
Great Alexander H. Todd at Hell's Gate, N.Y. 1892

John

Baton Rouge, La. July 17th /92

This is to certify that I have been paid Fifteen dolls.  
for one childs casket for remains of A. H. Todd by  
Chas. D. Brandenburg, June 27th, 1892.

\$15.00

R. H. CONDON

Received of Chas. D. Brandenburg Five dollars  
for services rendered in exhuming the body of  
Lieut. Alexander H. Todd at Pratt place, June 27/92  
\$5.00

JOHN J. WOOD

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Robt. Smith Todd m.(1) Eliza Parker m.(2) Betsy Humphreys

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Same as Gen. Lee Hardin Helen  
22 Sept. '63  
Chicamaugua.

JAMES CLARK TODD-Ms. 18/2

1802-1849 Maria Blair

LEVI TODD -  
2nd M<sup>h</sup>. Jane Holmes

ANNA MARIE - Never M<sup>h</sup>.

DAVID TODD

JOHN TODD, Jr.

Died: Indiana 1858

JOHN TODD (Va.)

Grad. Princeton 1749

Died: 1793

ROBERT TODD

B. 1697 - Ireland

D. 1775 - U.S.

1st Marriage:

Isabella Parker  
(died in Ireland)

DAVID TODD

B. 4-8-1723 - Ireland

D. -1785 - Ky

Ma. 1-4-1710  
Penn.

HANNAH OWEN - Welsh

B. 1725 or 26

ROBERT TODD

JOHN TODD - Ky.

B. 3-27-1750

D. 8-19-1782

Ma. 1780 - Jane Hawkins

HANNAH - M<sup>h</sup>. Robert Stuart 1802

1781-1843

ELIZABETH - M<sup>h</sup>. Charles M. Carr-1801

1783-1863

ANN MARIAH - M<sup>h</sup>. Walter Bullock

NANCY TODD - M<sup>h</sup>. John Todd - 4-10-1807

ROBERT - M<sup>h</sup>. 1812 - ELIZABETH BARR

1786-1859

JOHN - M<sup>h</sup>. 1813 - Elizabeth Smith

1787-1865

MARY LOGAN - M<sup>h</sup>. Walter Bullock - 1835

1788-1861

ROBERT SMITH TODD - M<sup>h</sup>. 1812 ELIZA ANN PARSONS

1791-1849

SAMUEL BRIGGS TODD - M<sup>h</sup>. Caroline Barr-1827

1793-1876

MARGARET TODD

JANE BRIGGS TODD - M<sup>h</sup>. Daniel Breck-1810

1796-1856

ROGER NORTH TODD - M<sup>h</sup>. Matilda Ferguson-1819

1797-1846

JOHN TODD

Scotch Irish  
(One of the Con-  
victors who made  
war on the Church  
of England. Fled  
to Ireland in 1679

ISABELLE BAILLY - U.S. -

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Chicamaguee

Todd Family Tree.

ancestral (Rev. T. Todd m. B.)

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2004

200 (Rev.)  
Half sister to my Rev. (Rev.) TLW 318

TLW In the summer of 1837, Mary Todd married 250 of these  
Sisters, Eliza. & Frances are still. She had a brother  
Matthew; and another, Dr. John Todd, she, three  
sisters for cousins:

John T. Stuart  
John T. Hardin  
Stephen T. Logan "

Todd Family Tree

Todd family

Living and Taken in Japan

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Mary Todd Record son of Robt. S. Todd  
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John Todd son of James Todd

in Alaska June 20

Mary Devan <sup>W</sup> Valentine

John Todd Name

<sup>in</sup>  
(2)  
Robt. W. Todd

Mary Grinnell

Lexington Cemetery-Lexington, Kentucky

TODD LOT -Sec.F.-Lots 26-36

David H. Todd  
 Hannah O. Todd  
 Genl. Robert S. Todd  
 Ann Todd  
 Jane Briggs Todd  
 (All of these were removed to this  
 cemetery on June 19, 1856)

Gen'l. Levi Todd June 5, 1856  
 Jane Holmes Todd March 20, 1856  
 James C. Todd 46 Years old  
 Maria Blair Todd Removed Dec. 8, 1849 )  
 Inf. of Dr. L. B. Todd " here Dec. 8, 1849 )  
 Miss Maisie Todd Age 28, May 16, 1896  
 Dr. L. B. Todd (Lyman) " 70, May 15, 1902  
 Mrs. Sarah F. Todd " 90, Oct. 30, 1926 )  
 Chestnut Hill, Mass)  
 Miss Lucia Swift Todd-Age 73 years  
 Dec. 23, 1929  
 James A. Todd " 95 Jan. 4, 1953  
 Mrs. Emma Kendall Todd " 79 Sep. 14, 1938  
 ALL OF THE ABOVE BURIED IN BACK ROW

Joseph Burch Removed Nov. 16, 1923 from Scott City  
 Sarah Burch Rodes " " " " " " " "  
 Mrs. Mary Burch " " " " " " " "  
 Col. William Rodes Jul. 22, 1856  
 Mrs. Margaret B. Rodes Oct. 29, 1865  
 Levi Todd Rodes Aug. 16, 1890 59 Yrs. Lexington  
 Infant son of Lt. Rodes Jul. 30, 1860  
 Mary H. Rodes Oct. 6, 1901 60 Yrs. county  
 Daniel B. McDowell Apr. 18, 1903 47 " Lexington  
 Emily Todd Helm Feb. 22, 1930 92 "  
 Miss Katherine Helm Jun. 21, 1937 79 "  
 Mrs. Elodie Helm Lewis Jun. 15, 1953 94 "  
 Ben Hardin Helm May 31, 1946 84 "  
 ALL OF THE ABOVE WERE BURIED IN THE CENTER ROW

Clifton Rodes Removed here Nov. 16, 1923  
 Waller Rodes " " Nov. 16, 1923  
 Elizabeth Slaughter " " Nov. 16, 1923 Scott City, Ky.  
 Margaret Kellogg Todd  
 Martha Todd (Child) 1894  
 Elizabeth Todd Feb. 16, 1874 Late Residence, Madison, Ind.

These records were taken from Cemetery Plat Book and card files  
 November 1955 by CHA

Sent by Charles E. Sennett

Robert S. Todd  
 Removed here Dec. 3, 1849  
 Eliza P. Todd  
 Removed here Dec. 8, 1849  
 Levi Todd June 30, 1892  
 Kittie Todd  
 Samuel B. Todd 1894  
 Lieut. Alex. H. Todd  
 Removed here June 30, 1892  
 Miss Mattie Kellogg  
 Age 65- Nov. 11, 1924  
 Miss Minnie Kellogg-Cincinnati  
 Nov. 11, 1924  
 Maria Logan Todd-May 31, 1898  
 Mary A. Witherspoon 1894  
 Dr. David F. Todd 1894

THE ABOVE ARE ALL IN FRONT ROW

TODD FAMILY BURIAL LOT

6 SECTION  
Part 60 x 30  
Lexington, Kentucky

David - 4-8-1723  
2-8-1785

Henry Owen - 6-3-1729  
5-16-1805

Gen. Robert - 4-19-1754 Ann, wife of 8-26-1756  
3-20-1814 8-31-1828

Jane Holmes 8-7-1770 Second wife  
3-19-1856

Emilee - 11-11-1836 Gen. Brig. Hardin Helm, husband of  
2-20-1930 R. S. and E. L. Todd, daughter of

Kathleen - 9-2-1857  
6-18-1832

Gen. Brig. Hardin Helm and Emilee Todd Helm, daughter  
of

Elizabeth L. -----  
2-16-1874

"In memory of my boys Samuel B. Todd, David H. Todd,  
Alexander H. Todd all Confederate soldiers"  
(other side) Elizabeth L. Todd died

Robert S. - 7-17-1849  
( in his 59th yr )

Eliza P. - 7-5-1825  
(in her 30th yr.)

Robert P. - 14 months old son of Robert S.

About three months before Nancy's son, Abraham, was born the Lincolns moved to a farm just acquired by Thomas <sup>and</sup> Lincoln for which he had paid Sarah Johnston's brother two hundred dollars cash. Here Nancy Lincoln found that her closest neighbors to the south were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Todd. Early traditions in La Rue County claimed that Nancy and Thomas were married in the Todd home, but this of course was not true. While living here Nancy could not have even surmised the first son of her own child, <sup>and</sup> Abraham, would bear the Robert Todd Lincoln.

Todd family, Presbyterians Lexington

Five log built log cabin 1775  
1786 conveyances to church

Five acres

On Camel Hill church River River  
June 1787 Peter and Jane Todd (ministers joint)

By Frost Lee  
Wells W 187  
April 1856

Stuart John Trelaf son of

Son Rev Robert Stuart

Bishop of Pennsylvania 1798

Wife Hannah Trelaf daughter Rev Trelaf

Rev Mrs Rose

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## Some Unrelated Todd Families

Dr. Eli Todd. 1769-1833. Famous physician who lived at Hartford, Conn.

George Tod (spelled with one "d") 1773-1841. Settled at Georgetown, Ohio in 1800. His son David 1805-1868 was governor of Ohio.

Joseph Todd and his wife Cynthia were the closest neighbors of the Lincolns when Abraham was born in Kentucky. The Todd land formed the southern boundary of the Lincoln birthplace farm.

Dr. John Todd. 1800-1873. Famous clergyman born in Rutland, Vt. died in Pittsfield, Mass.

15)

Thomas Todd. 1765-1826. Born in Virginia, settled in Frankfort, Kentucky, appointed to Supreme Court, son Charles Scott famous journalist.

